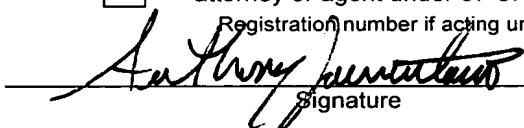


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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b><br><b>FY 2005</b><br>(fees effective on or after October 1, 2004)   |            | <b>Docket Number (Optional)</b><br>SIW-008RCE |           |
| <b>Application Number</b> 09/847,901-Conf. #7510  |            | <b>Filed</b> May 2, 2001                      |           |
| <b>For</b> FUEL CELL HAVING SEALANT FOR SEALING A SOLID POLYMER ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE  |            |   |           |
| <b>Art Unit</b> 1745  |            | <b>Examiner</b> R. Alejandro                  |           |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.  |            |   |           |
| The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):   |            |   |           |
|   | <b>Fee</b> | <b>Small Entity Fee</b>                       |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))  | \$110.00   | \$55.00                                       | \$ _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))   | \$430.00   | \$215.00                                      | \$ _____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))  | \$980.00   | \$490.00                                      | \$ 980.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))  | \$1,530.00 | \$765.00                                      | \$ _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))  | \$2,080.00 | \$1,040.00                                    | \$ _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.   |            |   |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  |            |   |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.   |            |   |           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.   |            |   |           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>12-0080</u>                   |            |   |           |
| I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.   |            |   |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.<br>Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).   |            |   |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number _____   |            |   |           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).<br>Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) <u>38,220</u>   |            |   |           |
| <br>Signature  |            | <u>October 13, 2004</u><br>Date               |           |
| <u>Anthony A. Laurentano</u><br>Typed or printed name   |            | <u>(617) 227-7400</u><br>Telephone Number     |           |
| NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below. |            |   |           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.   |            |   |           |

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